

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Applicant agrees with the Examiner that Figure 3 should be designated as prior art. Applicant submits herewith a corrected drawing in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(d). A legend "--Prior Art--" has been added to Figure 3. Figure 3 has also been labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the page header.

REMARKS

This communication is in response to the Office Action of May 10, 2005. Claims 1-34 were rejected. Claims 1-34 are pending. Figure 3 was objected to.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-34 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) in view of the MIPS Technologies EJTAG Specification (Document Number MD00047) (hereinafter “the MIPS reference”). In an abundance of caution, the MIPS reference was disclosed in an Information Disclosure Statement. Applicant submits herewith a declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 to indicate that the disclosure of the claimed invention in the MIPS reference is derived from the inventors of the present application. Since the MIPS reference was not published more than a year prior to the filing of the application, it does not constitute invalidating prior art. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection in view of the MIPS reference is respectfully solicited.

Objections

Figure 3 has been amended in accordance with the Examiner’s corrections.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims of the application are now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if there are any residual issues that can be resolved through a telephone call.

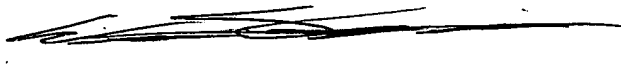
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees to Deposit Account No. 03-3117.

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